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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF PRESCRIBED
ANTIEPILEPTIC DRUGS."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2008*) (a) For the purpose of this
4 section, "benefit or service mandate" means a general statute or
5 proposed legislation that requires an insurer to: (1) Permit a person
6 insured or covered under the policy or contract to obtain health care
7 treatment or services from a particular type of health care provider; (2)
8 offer or provide coverage for the screening, diagnosis or treatment of a
9 particular disease or condition; or (3) offer or provide coverage for a
10 particular type of health care treatment or service, medical equipment,
11 medical supplies or drugs in connection with a health care treatment
12 or service.

13 (b) Within available appropriations, the Insurance Commissioner
14 shall convene a working group of interested stakeholders who shall
15 conduct an impact review of (1) any legislation proposing a benefit or

16 service mandate in health insurance policies on or after January 1,
17 2009; (2) any legislation proposing to repeal a benefit or service
18 mandate on or after January 1, 2009, that was in effect prior to January
19 1, 2009; or (3) any change proposed in the scope or terms of coverage
20 of a benefit or service mandate in effect at the time of such proposed
21 change.

22 (c) Such review shall include, but not be limited to, an evaluation of
23 (1) the financial impact of such benefits; and (2) the impact of such
24 benefits on the access and availability of insurance coverage.

25 (d) Not later than December 31, 2009, and annually thereafter, the
26 commissioner shall submit a report on any requested impact reviews,
27 in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint
28 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
29 matters relating to insurance."